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WATER CRISIS LOOMS IN CITY

Council Asks For Study on Tank Status

The city faces a critical water shortage unless it can find funds to construct badly needed storage facilities, the city council indicated here Tuesday evening. A report on how the city might correct the shortage of water—storage facilities was asked by the council during its Tuesday evening meeting.

City Manager George Stevens was instructed to formulate a program for financing the needed reservoirs which was brought up first at a city water commission meeting last month.

WATER SUPT. Angus McVicar said the city's daily use of water exceeded its storage capacity. The bulk of the water used here comes through the Metropolitan Water District lines, he explained, and the city draws heavily on the MWD reservoirs each day.

One method of financing such reservoir expansion suggested by the water commission was withholding the franchise now paid to the city's general fund by the water department. This amounts currently to about \$143,000 a year.

THE CITY council spurned this idea, however, at least for this year, because that sum is already figured in the city's operating budget.

An adjustment of the rates to produce more revenue was suggested by Councilman George Bradford, who had made a similar suggestion earlier this year.

The city's water rates now are "right in the middle" of those of other Southern California water distributors, Mc-

Vicar told the HERALD after Tuesday's meeting.

THE CITY now has storage facilities for 14 million gallons of water, slightly below the (Continued on Page 2)

Officer Scores As Stork's Aide For Sixth Time

Patrolman Charles Oates, a five-year veteran of the Torrance police force, won his sixth service stripe Saturday evening.

Oates, a bachelor, delivered a 6 lb., 4 oz. baby girl to a Los Angeles woman in front of the Torrance police station, the sixth time he has officiated at such ceremonies during his police career.

Sunday's opportunity to increase his skill along that line came after another patrolman stopped an auto near the station for a traffic violation, and then put in a hurry-up call for "Doc" Oates.

Mrs. Alberta Abdon, 20, of Los Angeles and her new daughter were taken on to the hospital after Oates had completed his part of the affair.

City Schools Not Average, TEAC Hears

Torrance has about one-third more children than the "average" city and those extra 7,000 youngsters are creating financial problems. That was what nearly 200 persons attending the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee Meeting on Monday were told. Superintendent J. H. Hull

told the group that Torrance's high birth rate and low assessed valuation per pupil made it a "poor" district.

The district's "poverty" is the reason that the Board of Education has called an October 11 tax override election, which, if passed, would provide funds for operating expenses (salaries, books, and equipment) for the district's 34 schools. Legally, these funds are completely separate from the bonds funds used to build new plants.

"OUR ASSESSED valuation is only \$8308 per pupil, whereas any district with less than \$10,000 per pupil is considered poor," he noted. "Industry provides a large share—more than 60 per cent of the total—but Torrance has more children than the average district."

R. L. Herbert, chairman of the education committee of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, told the group that one question always asked by industry is "What type of school system does your city have?" Torrance has a good system, in industry's opinion, he said.

Free Polio Shots Set By County

Free polio shots will be given at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 2314 W. Del Amo Blvd., on Wednesday, Sept. 28, and Oct. 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. according to Dr. B. A. Kogan, district health officer for the Los Angeles County Health Department. No appointments are necessary.

An increased number of paralytic-polio cases in neighboring communities has been reported. Nearly all those stricken did not complete the series of shots or did not have the proper time interval between each shot. To stop the spread of polio in Torrance, immunization is advised.

Polio strikes the unvaccinated regardless of age. Over one-half of last year's cases of paralytic polio were among children under five years of age. Paralytic polio can strike older people too, and usually is severe when it does.

These clinics are given as a service of the Los Angeles County Health Department. For additional information call the County Health Department, Torrance Health Center, FA 8-3310.

HE URGED those attending the TEAC to support the upcoming override tax election on Oct. 11 because a "better educated city is better for everyone and especially for industry."

"We are building the buildings for our children," he said, "but this election would help to provide the tools for learning. We don't want more buildings; we want institutions of learning."

"In coming years, the Board of Education cannot continue to provide the same program as it has now with the money available," School Board President William C. Boswell said. "We have been asked why we didn't place a time limit on this tax, in proposing it. Nobody has told me how we can (Continued on Page 2)



CHEST LEADERS CONVENE . . . Ralph Morris (right), Torrance Commerce and Industry Unit Chairman, shows a 1960 Campaign poster to Committeeman Fred Brunner and Division Chairman Allen Klutzker (center) at a recent meeting of the Commerce and Industry Unit of the Community Chest in Torrance. The meeting marked the opening of this year's C & I campaign here. (See Story on Page 10)

Ambassador Lodge Plans Meeting Here Sept. 30th

Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge will speak Friday, Sept. 30, during a giant 17th Congressional District Republican open meeting at the Hacienda Hotel in San Pedro, it was announced yesterday.

The open meeting starting at 10 a.m. will be held on the grounds of the Hacienda Hotel to accommodate the large crowd expected to turn out to hear Ambassador Lodge speak, according to Mrs. Manley L. Natland, 18 Crest Rd., East, Rolling Hills. Mrs. Natland is president of Club of Federated Republican

Drown, 1 Crest Rd., West, Rolling Hills, and Charles Soderstrom, 1553 S. Pacific Ave., San Pedro, who is chairman of the 17th Congressional District Republican Committee.

"AMBASSADOR LODGE'S (Continued on Page 2)

Man, Too Old for the Sea, Now Roams World's Highways

By BOB WILTON
Herald Staff Writer

Through shaggy brows he squinted out over the Pacific and sniffed the salt air. Mild blue eyes, as restless as the sea itself held catch lights from the afternoon sun. Wisps of white hair, a hawk-like nose and a drooped mustache, completed this character study.

"Yes, lad, things have changed a bit since I first went to sea. People are in too big a hurry to get places nowadays."

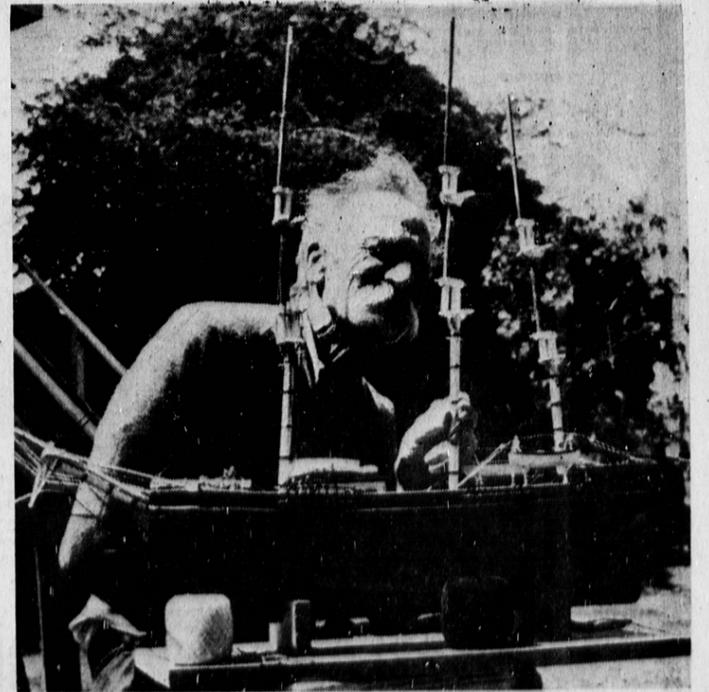
He stopped talking, a smile that came from within played over his face and he leaned back against the tree he was sitting under along Pacific Coast Highway in the Hollywood Riviera area.

HE OPENED a sea bag that lay beside him and took out a scale model of a ship complete except for its three masts and some of the topside rigging.

He introduced himself as Captain Patrick Tayleur, who at 96 years of age still had to keep moving, but was in no hurry to get there.

A ROAMER, first of the high seas and then the highways of the world, he was master of 23 sailing vessels, soldiered in five wars, was the first man known to have walked the continent of Australia.

When a lad of 70 tramped twice across the United States. He also covered sizable por- (Continued on Page 2)



DRYDOCKED AT 96 . . . A seafaring man all his life, Capt. Patrick Tayleur has been tramping across the faces of the world's countries since being declared too old for the rigors of the sea. Here he puts the finishing touches to a model of the "Star of India" which he plans to present to the seaman's home in San Pedro. (Herald Photo by Bob Wilton)

A Penny for your Thoughts

"Which political party do you think offers the best program for the working man and his family? Why?"

Answering were:

Mrs. Dorothy Oliver, 1814 Middlebrook Rd., housewife: "I think Kennedy has the most to offer because I feel he's going to try to do more for the working man and the little businesses. I think he'll do all he can to make more employment opportunities, for one thing, and try to get us out of the slump we're in."

Maurice Baron, 18535 Ashley Ave., barber: "It would be rather presumptuous of me to say very much as I have only been here in the United States since last November but I do have some definite ideas about it as I have read quite a bit and followed it quite closely. I think the Democrats have the most to offer because I feel that Kennedy is more sincere and has the good of the people more at heart. I think it is shocking, though, that religion should be brought into it."

Maxilyn Moon, 1044 W. 168th St., Gardena, medical assistant: "I think the Democrats have the best program. Why? Well, I can remember as a little girl I almost starved under the Republican administration and how things got so much better when the Democrats got in. After that experience, I'd be afraid to vote any other way."

Sara White, 1024 W. 220th St., unemployed: "I definitely think the Democrats because there is always more work under their administration; in fact, everything is better when they head our government. They not only gave us work, but improved our working conditions, gave us social security, disability, etc., which can mean so much to the working man."

Tom J. White, 1211 El Prado: "I think the Democrats have the most to offer and I'll use my wife's favorite answer, 'just because.' I'd say they are more interested in the little man and what happens to him. The Republicans haven't done a thing for me since they've been in office so I'd like to see the Democrats step in now."



FIRE PREVENTION PLEDGE . . . Pretty Terry Taylor, 18, has been chosen as Miss Fire Prevention by members of the Torrance Fire Department. Here she points up to the coming observance of Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9 through 15, with Fire Chief J. J. Benner. (Herald Photo)



HENRY CABOT LODGE Here for Major Speech.

the Palos Verdes Peninsula Women, which is responsible for inviting Lodge to appear before voters in the 17th Congressional District.

THE 17th Congressional District of California—one of the largest in the nation—includes Westchester, the Beach cities, Torrance, Inglewood, Wilmington, San Pedro, Palos Verdes, Lennox, El Segundo, and Playa Del Rey areas.

In charge of the two-hour rally honoring the Republican vice presidential nominee will be co-chairmen Mrs. Jack